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SERIAL NUMBER FILING DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 08/319,357 10/06/94 SCHMITT-WILLICH SCH1412 EXAMINER 12M1/0527 MILLEN WHITE ZELANO AND BRANIGAN KELLEY, L ARLINGTON COURTHOUSE PLAZA I ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER 2200 CLARENDON BOULEVARD STE 1400 ARLINGTON VA 22201 1211 DATE MAILED: Supplemental NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY PART I. 1. With Communication is responsive to Interview 5-14-97 2. All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due ed claims are 2-9, 11,13,14,16, 18-26, 29,30,32,36-40 +44-_ are acceptable. 5. B Acknowledgment's made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has received. In been filed in parent application Serial No. 7/544,530 filed on 6 6. A Note the attached Examiner's Amendment. 7. Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413. 8.

Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. 9.

Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892. *10.
Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449. A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 1. Onte the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. 2.

APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER. a. Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No.

CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. b.

The proposed drawing correction filed on ... has been approved by the examiner, CORRECTION IS, REQUIRED. c.
Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. d. D Formal drawings are now REQUIRED. Any response to this letter should include in the upper right hand corner, the following information from the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE: ISSUE BATCH NUMBER, DATE OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE, AND SERIAL NUMBER.

> Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152 _ Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948

_ Listing of Bonded Draftsmen

PTOL-37 (REV. 4-89) *

Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413

Notice of References Cited, PTO-892 Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449

Reasons for Allowance

Serial Number: 08/319,357

Art Unit: 1211

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or 1. additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Brion Heaney on May 14, 1997.

The application has been amended as follows: 2.

Cancel the drawings (Figures 1-12).

On page 44, line 3, delete "In Figure 6,".

On page 45, line 2, delete "Figure 8,".

On page 45, line 4, delete "Figure 10,".

On page 45, line 10, delete "Figure 12,".

- These amendments do not constitute new matter since the Figures are not necessary to the 3. understanding of the invention.
- Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner 4. should be directed to Lara Chapman Kelley whose telephone number is (703) 308-0450. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays through Thursdays and alternate Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Kight, can be reached on (703) 308-0204. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-4556.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1235.